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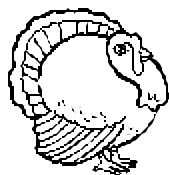
NATIONAL TURKEY MARKET AT-A-GLANCE

DOMESTIC MARKET HIGHLIGHTS

The market tone on frozen 8-16 lb. hens was steady to fully steady and 16-24 lb. toms was barely steady. No sales reported for prompt shipment. Some sales reported for September with price ceilings of 73 cents for hens and 68 cents for toms, also for October with ceilings of 69 cents for hens and 63 cents for toms. Demand was light to moderate. Supplies adequate to instances fully adequate. Bulk parts and meat trading light to instances moderate. Demand limited for domestic usage.

EXPORT MARKET HIGHLIGHTS

Trading light to moderate with the most activity centered on tom drums and frozen thigh meat. Demand was mixed as most Russian demand slowing due to the filling of permits and the rapid arrival of the cut off date for product to be delivered to Russia. At this time no new permits have released.



WHOLE YOUNG TURKEYS, FROZEN 1/, CONSUMER SIZES, COMMODITY PACK OR EQUIVALENT, US GRADE A, CENTS PER LB, DELIVERED (MINIMUM 10,000 LB LOTS) **AUGUST 16, 2002**

CURRENT SHIPMENTS 2/

	OFFERS	SALES	WTD AVG	VOLUME (000)	WTD AVG	VOLUME (000)	DEL. PER	VOLUME (000)	DEL. PER
8-16 LB HENS									
EASTERN REGION 3/	65.5-68	-	-	-	-	-	-	160	OCT
CENTRAL REGION 4/	64.5-67.5	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
WESTERN REGION 5/	66	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
16-24 LB TOMS									
EASTERN REGION 3/	60-62	-	-	-	-	-	-	160	OCT
CENTRAL REGION 4/	59-61	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
WESTERN REGION 5/	60-61	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-

WHOLE YOUNG TURKEYS, FROZEN 1/, CONSUMER SIZES, COMMODITY PACK OR EQUIVALENT, US GRADE A, CENTS PER LB, DELIVERED (MINIMUM 10,000 LB LOTS) **AUGUST 15, 2002**

CURRENT SHIPMENTS 2/

	OFFERS	SALES	WTD AVG	VOLUME (000)	WTD AVG	VOLUME (000)	DEL. PER	VOLUME (000)	DEL. PER
8-16 LB HENS									
EASTERN REGION 3/	65.5-68	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
CENTRAL REGION 4/	64.5-67.5	67.5	67.50	40	71.00	120	SEP	80	SEP
WESTERN REGION 5/	66	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
16-24 LB TOMS									
EASTERN REGION	60-62	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
CENTRAL REGION	59-61	60.5	60.50	40	63.00	80	SEP	80	SEP
WESTERN REGION	60-61	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-

1/ May include product stored at temperatures in range of 1 to 25 degrees F. 2/ Includes product priced for shipment within 14 days.

3/ Includes product with 3 percent broth basting. 4/ Includes product with 3-6 percent broth basting. 5/ Includes products with 6 percent broth basting. 6/ Includes product committed for pricing during the previous 24 hours but shipment in more than 14 days from date of commitment. 7/ Includes product committed during previous 24 hours at prices to be determined at later date.

WEIGHTED AVERAGE PRICES FOR WHOLE YOUNG TURKEYS, FROZEN CONSUMER SIZES, COMMODITY PACK OR EQUIVALENT, US GRADE A, CENTS PER LB, DELIVERED (MINIMUM 10,000 LB LOTS)

W/E AUG 16, 2002	CURRENT WEEK	LAST WEEK	SAME WEEK YEAR AGO
8-16 LB HENS			
EASTERN REGION	66.75**	67.00	66.38
CENTRAL REGION	67.50	65.00	65.63
WESTERN REGION	66.00**	66.80**	66.25
16-24 LB TOMS			
EASTERN REGION	61.00**	61.00**	63.00**
CENTRAL REGION	60.50	60.40**	61.10**
WESTERN REGION	60.50**	60.90**	62.25

**BASED ON OFFERS

**SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA (L.A. AREA) PROCESSED TURKEY,
DELIVERED TO RETAILERS**

	<u>RANGE</u>
FRESH TURKEYS Y HENS 8-16#	96
FRESH TURKEYS Y TOMS 14-24#	96
FROZEN TURKEYS Y HENS 8-16#	71
FROZEN TURKEYS Y TOMS 14-24#	66
FROZEN TURKEYS Y TOMS 24-28#	68-72

**SAN FRANCISCO PROCESSED TURKEY
DELIVERED TO RESTAURANTS AND INSTITUTIONS**

	<u>RANGE</u>
TURKEYS Y HENS	89-119
TURKEYS Y TOMS UNDER 22#	89-119
TURKEYS Y TOMS 22-24#	85-105
TURKEYS Y TOMS 24-26#	84-105
TURKEYS Y TOMS 26 LBS & OVER	102-105

FRESH TURKEYS WITH TIMERS OR EQUIVALENT U.S. GRADE A,
DELIVERED FIRST RECEIVERS, EASTERN REGION, CENTS
PER POUND, WEEK OF 19-AUG-2002

	(8-16#)	(16-24#)	
	HENS	LBS TOMS	LBS
	<u>PRICE</u>	<u>(000)</u>	<u>PRICE</u>
			<u>(000)</u>
SALES (PROMOTIONS INCLUDED)	73.68	47	67.06
SALES (PROMOTIONS NOT INCLUDED)	73.68	47	67.06
SALES (PROMOTIONS ONLY)			
SALES (PRICE TO BE DETERMINED)			

TURKEY MOVEMENT TREND

(IN THOUSAND POUNDS)

SLAUGHTER-CERTIFIED RTC TURKEYS

JULY	475,262*
AUGUST 1-10, 2002	146,736*

To date 2002	3,129,256*
To date 2001	3,135,118*

* PRELIMINARY

NUMBER OF TURKEYS SLTRD IN FEDERALLY INSP PLANTS

BY GEOGRAPHICAL AREAS WEEK ENDING 10-Aug-2002

(PRELIMINARY) (RELEASED 12:00 NOON CENTRAL TIME)

YOUNG TURKEYS			TOTAL TURKEYS			
		PCT	AVG			AVG
		CHG	LIVE	OLD		LIVE
-THOUSAND HEAD-		PW	WT	BANDED	-THOUSAND HEAD-	WT
N EAST	711	-3	22.54	(A)	715	22.54
SATL	802	-8	28.40	(A)	805	28.40
N CENT	2,348	0	29.45	(A)	2,351	29.45
S CENT	474	3	22.03	(A)	477	22.03
WEST	547	19	23.34	(A)	550	23.34
U.S. TOTAL	4,882(B)	0	26.87	16	4,898	26.87
TO-DATE						
2002	146,176(B)			254	146,430	
TO-DATE						
2001	151,521(B)			386	151,907	

(A) Not published to avoid disclosing individual operations.

(B) Number of young banded breeder turks included: this week

54,000 for the year; 1,529,000; last year to date 1,287,000.

LIVE TURKEYS SLAUGHTERED WEEK ENDING 10-Aug-2002

	YOUNG		YOUNG	OLD	TOTAL
	HENS	TOMS	BREEDERS		
	<u>THOUSANDS</u>				
HEAD	1,883	2,945	54	16	4,898
AVG WT	15.60	34.12	24.62	28.21	26.87
LAST WEEK	1,937	2,875	58	3	4,873
SAME WK YR AGO	2,141	2,940	26	11	5,118
AVG WT	15.30	33.08	24.15	33.82	25.59
TO-DATE/2002	58,237	86,410	1,529	254	146,430
TO-DATE/2001	64,135	86,099	1,287	386	151,907

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NATIONAL YOUNG TURKEY PARTS AND BULK MEAT, FROZEN (UNLESS SPECIFIED), CENTS PER LB., DELIVERED FIRST RECEIVERS, PART AND FULL TRUCKLOTS AS OF 15 AUGUST 2002.

Trade sentiment on fresh tom breast meat was steady to fully steady in the Midwest and East, spot weakness noted in the West. Some increased interest was noted on fresh tom breast meat in the East and Midwest for current shipments resulting in some increased seller confidence. Offerings ranged from instances ample in the West to light to adequate elsewhere. The strength in the frozen thigh meat export market started to show signs of dissipating with some industry members noting lower trending premiums being asked for Russia for last minute fill-in trading and also prices for other destinations. Offerings adequate to fully adequate. Trading centered on a moderate volume of frozen thigh meat for export, balance light. Grade A non-basted 12-14 lb. breasts 108 cents delivered domestic. For export: mature hen drums 12, tom necks 14, livers 17, young hen drums 19 cents delivered. USDA purchased yesterday 440,000 lb. of deli style turkey breast for school lunch and other domestic food nutrition assistance programs. Next offers are due by August 26, 2002 for delivery from October 1-15, 2002.

DOMESTIC TRADING	PRICE RANGE	L.S.T. CODE 1/	WTD AVG PRICE	VOLUME (000)
BREASTS, 4-8 LBS GRADE A 2/	98.00		98.00	40
BREASTS, 4-8 LBS GRADE A—FRESH 2/	154.00		154.00	5
BREASTS, 4-8 LBS PLANT GRADE 2/	88.00-89.00		88.75	160
DRUMSTICKS, TOM		T	21.00	20
DRUMSTICKS, TOM—FRESH		F	20.00	46
DRUMSTICKS, HEN		W	20.00	40
WINGS, FULL-CUT, TOM		T	22.00	140
WINGS, FULL-CUT, HEN				
WINGS, V-TYPE, TOM	28.50		28.50	40
WINGS, V-TYPE, HEN				
NECKS, TOM	14.00		14.00	80
NECKS, HEN		T	19.00	6
BREASTS, B/S, TOM 3/		M	133.00	15
BREASTS, B/S, TOM—FRESH 3/		W	162.00	40
THIGH MEAT		F	51.39	31
THIGH MEAT—FRESH		W	54.00	40
BREAST TRIM MEAT		W	88.00	40
SCAPULA MEAT		W	77.00	40
TENDERLOINS		R	115.00	40
DESTRAPPED TENDERS		F	112.00	20
DESTRAPPED TENDERS—FRESH		F	135.00	40
WING MEAT WITH SKIN		M	48.00	80
MECHANICALLY SEPARATED 4/		M	20.00	10
MECHANICALLY SEPARATED—FRESH 4/		W	19.33	120
EXPORT TRADING				
DRUMSTICKS, TOMS	17.50-19.50		18.48	264
WINGS FULL-CUT - TOMS	21.50		21.50	60
WINGS, V-TYPE, TOM		W	25.00	104
TAILS		F	15.63	320
MECHANICALLY SEPARATED 4/	18.00		18.00	40
THIGH MEAT - FROZEN	41.00-54.00		44.34	592

1/ CODES FOR LAST SIGNIFICANT TRADE (L.S.T.):

M=MONDAY T=TUESDAY W=WEDNESDAY R=THURSDAY F=FRIDAY

2/ Breasts are bagged; rib, back, and wing meat included; and basted.

3/ Boneless and skinless without tenderloins. 4/ 15-20% fat with skin added.

NATIONAL YOUNG TURKEY PARTS AND BULK MEAT, FROZEN (UNLESS SPECIFIED), CENTS PER LB., DELIVERED FIRST RECEIVERS, PART AND FULL TRUCKLOTS AS OF 16 AUGUST 2002.

Trade sentiment on fresh tom breast meat was steady to firm for immediate shipments. Increased interest was noted on fresh tom breast meat from the Midwest for current shipments as availability becoming limited. Offerings in a full range and vary regionally. Frozen thigh meat export market slowing down as permits starting to fill up to meet cut off date for product arrival to Russia. Offerings adequate to fully ad-equate. Trading and demand light to moderate. Grade A non-basted 8-10 lb. breasts 125, 10-12 lb breasts 100, 12-14 lb. breasts 110, and 14-16 lb. breasts 120 delivered. Ground drums 46-48 cents. Hen drums for export 15 cents delivered. Hearts 29 cents delivered. Mature hen drums 15 cents FOB.

DOMESTIC TRADING	PRICE RANGE	LST CDE 1/	WTD AVG PRICE	VOLUME (000)	WEEKLY WTD AVG PRICE	WEEKLY VOLUME (000)
BREASTS, 4-8 LBS GRADE A 2/		R	98.00	40	98.00	40
BREASTS, 4-8 LBS GRADE A—FRESH 2/		R	154.00	5	154.00	5
BREASTS, 4-8 LBS PLANT GRADE 2/		R	88.75	160	88.75	160
DRUMSTICKS, TOM	20.00-21.00		20.51	39	20.18	219
DRUMSTICKS, TOM—FRESH	20.00-25.00		20.70	93	20.70	93
DRUMSTICKS, HEN	20.00		20.00	20	19.43	140
WINGS, FULL-CUT, TOM	21.00-23.00		22.38	626	22.29	806
WINGS, FULL-CUT, HEN	22.00		22.00	20	22.00	20
WINGS, V-TYPE, TOM	29.00-31.00		30.33	30	29.55	110
WINGS, V-TYPE, HEN	52.00		52.00	20	52.00	20
NECKS, TOM	13.25-15.00		13.76	145	13.89	305
NECKS, HEN	14.00		14.00	10	15.88	16
BREASTS, B/S, TOM 3/	133.00		133.00	10	133.00	25
BREASTS, B/S, TOM—FRESH 3/	162.00-167.00		163.08	520	162.13	640
THIGH MEAT	48.00-51.00		49.38	104	49.38	104
THIGH MEAT—FRESH	53.00		53.00	20	53.51	78
BREAST TRIM MEAT	88.00		88.00	10	88.00	50
SCAPULA MEAT	76.00		76.00	12	76.77	52
TENDERLOINS	110.00		110.00	40	110.00	40
DESTRAPPED TENDERS	135.00		135.00	12	135.00	12
DESTRAPPED TENDERS—FRESH		F	135.00	40		
WING MEAT WITH SKIN	48.00-54.00		51.79	58	49.59	138
MECHANICALLY SEPARATED 4/	18.00		18.00	22	18.63	32
MECHANICALLY SEPARATED—FRESH 4/	17.00-19.00		17.19	228	18.04	898
EXPORT TRADING						
DRUMSTICKS, TOMS	18.00-23.00		19.27	860	19.54	1,720
WINGS FULL-CUT - TOMS	18.00		18.00	108	18.65	324
WINGS, V-TYPE, TOM	24.00		24.00	216	24.33	320
TAILS	15.75		15.75	216	15.75	216
MECHANICALLY SEPARATED 4/	18.50		18.50	120	18.88	260
THIGH MEAT - FROZEN	48.00-54.00		52.15	520	48.91	1,312

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